UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

WENDI ANNE LATIMER,

Plaintiff,

24 Civ. 02571 (JHR)

-V.-

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

<u>ORDER</u>

JENNIFER H. REARDEN, District Judge:

In an effort to achieve a faster disposition of this matter, to conserve resources, and to promote judicial efficiency, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties discuss whether they are willing to consent, under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), to conducting all further proceedings before the designated Magistrate Judge.

If the parties consent to proceed before the Magistrate Judge, counsel for Defendant must, by May 3, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., file on ECF a fully executed Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge form, a copy of which is attached to this Order (and also available at https://nysd.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/2018-06/AO-3.pdf). The executed form should be filed using the "Proposed Consent to Jurisdiction by US Magistrate Judge" filing event in accordance with ECF Rule 13.27. If the Court approves that form, then all further proceedings will be conducted before the designated Magistrate Judge. Any appeal would be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, as it would be if the consent form were not signed and so-ordered.

If either party does not consent to conducting all further proceedings before the designated Magistrate Judge, the parties must file a joint letter, by May 3, 2024 at 5:00 p.m., informing the Court that the parties do not consent, but without disclosing the identity of the

party or parties who do not consent. The parties are free to withhold consent without negative consequences.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 23, 2024

New York, New York

JENNIFER H. REARDEN United States District Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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| Plaintiff V. Defendant |))) Civil Action No.)) | |
| NOTICE, CONSENT, AND REFEREN | NCE OF A CIVIL ACTION TO A MAGISTRA | ΓE JUDGE |
| Notice of a magistrate judge's availability all proceedings in this civil action (including a jury may then be appealed directly to the United States c may exercise this authority only if all parties volumes. | ourt of appeals like any other judgment of this court | ment. The judgment |
| You may consent to have your case referred substantive consequences. The name of any party v be involved with your case. | to a magistrate judge, or you may withhold your cor vithholding consent will not be revealed to any judg | |
| Consent to a magistrate judge's authority. conduct all proceedings in this case including trial, | The following parties consent to have a United State, the entry of final judgment, and all post-trial proc | ates magistrate judge eedings. |
| Printed names of parties and attorneys | Signatures of parties or attorneys | Dates |
| | Reference Order | |
| IT IS ORDERED: This case is referred to order the entry of a final judgment in accordance v | o a United States magistrate judge to conduct all pr | roceedings and |
| Date: | District Judge's signature | |
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| | Printed name and title | |

Note: Return this form to the clerk of court only if you are consenting to the exercise of jurisdiction by a United States magistrate judge. Do not return this form to a judge.